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Federal Government itself presently in quandary as to what its aid policy toward Ghana should be. Germans have internally earmarked DM 80 million for bilateral development credit to Ghana and GOG, which is probably aware of this earmarking, has already submitted some project proposals to Federal Government. In view deteriorating situation in Ghana and recent negotiation large credits from Soviet Bloc, Federal Government would probably decide against any development credits to Ghana were it not for Hallstein doctrine and desire discourage GOG from recognizing Pankow. Thus Federal Government weighing problem problem carefully and final decision, when taken, will probably be influenced somewhat by what U.S. decides to do. In view mixed and uncertain views within Federal Government re aid to Ghana, Germans would probably not object to or wish to influence U.S. decision not to go through with Volta river project.

Understand German Ambassador Accra Luebers has just returned Bonn from consultations on future economic relations between two countries.

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